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**REMARKS/ARGUMENTS**

Reconsideration of the above application in view of the above amendments and the remarks below is requested.

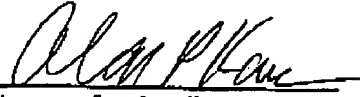
With the above amendments, claims 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 10, 25, 27, and 31 were canceled and claims 2, 6, 9, 14, 15, 16, 23, 24, 26, and 30 were amended.

In the Office Action, the Patent Office objected to claims 2, 6, 9, 26, and 30 because of informalities; rejected claim 25 under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as allegedly being indefinite; and rejected claims 1 to 3, 5, 14, 25 to 27, 30, 31, 34 and 35 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as allegedly being anticipated by Liu et al. With the above amendments, these rejections are traversed and withdrawal thereof is requested.

A one (1) month extension of time is also enclosed.

Applicant submits that the concerns of the Patent Office have been addressed. Withdrawal of the rejections and issuance of a Notice of Allowance is respectfully solicited.

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